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United States Total Farm Production Expenditures Edge Up in 2010

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United States Total Farm Production Expenditures were \$289.0 billion in 2010, up from \$287.4 billion in 2009. The 2010 Total Expenditures rose 0.6 percent compared to 2009 Total Expenditures. This is in contrast to a fall of 6.4 percent for 2009 Total Expenditures when compared to 2008 Total Expenditures. Total Expenditures for 2009 remain unchanged from a year ago. Expense items showing increases from the previous year were: Tractors & Self Propelled Machinery, up 17.2 percent, Rent, up 14.6 percent, Other Farm Machinery, up 6.4 percent, Seeds & Plants, up 5.2 percent, Fertilizer, Lime, and Soil Conditioners, up 4.5 percent, Fuels, up 4.0 percent, Taxes, up 3.8 percent, Farm Supplies & Repairs, up 2.6 percent, and Feed, up 0.9 percent.

Total Fuels Expense was \$12.9 billion. Diesel, the largest sub-component, was \$8.2 billion accounting for 63.1 percent. Diesel expenditures were up 13.2 percent in 2010. Gasoline was \$2.6 billion, up 4.9 percent. LP Gas was \$1.5 billion, down 24.9 percent. Other Fuels were \$0.7 billion, down 10.0 percent.

The four largest expenditures at the United States level totaled \$134.4 billion and accounted for 46.5 percent of Total Expenditures in 2010. They were Feed, 15.7 percent; Farm Services, 12.4 percent; Labor, 9.5 percent; and Rent, 9.0 percent.

In 2010, the United States Total Farm Expenditure average per farm was \$131,793 compared with \$131,137 in 2009, an increase of 0.5 percent. On average, United States farm operations spent: \$20,705 on Feed, \$16,281 on Farm Services, \$12,496 on Labor, \$11,812 on Rent, and \$11,128 on Livestock and Poultry Purchases. For 2009, United States farms spent an average of: \$20,533 on Feed, \$16,609 on Farm Services, \$13,141 on Labor, \$11,818 on Livestock and Poultry Purchases, and \$10,312 on Rent.

The top three average per farm expenditures with the largest dollar increase were: Rent, up \$1,500 or 14.5 percent; Tractors & Self Propelled Equipment, up \$728, or 17.2 percent; and Fertilizer, Lime & Soil Conditioners, up \$406, or 4.4 percent.

The United States Economic Sales Class contributing most to the 2010 United States Total Expenditures was the \$1,000,000 - \$4,999,999 class, with expenses of \$80.1 billion, 27.7 percent of the United States total, up 6.3 percent from the 2009 level of \$75.4 billion. It was followed by the \$500,000 - \$999,999 class with \$51.6 billion (2009 - \$49.3 billion) and the \$5,000,000 and Over class with \$51.0 billion (2009 - \$51.0 billion).

Average 2010 Total Expenditures for the largest economic class of farms (\$5,000,000 and Over) were \$10.2 million. That is 5.7 times larger than the next largest economic class with farms \$1,000,000 - \$4,999,999 averaging \$1.8 million followed by the \$500,000 - \$999,999 economic class of farms averaging \$0.7 million.

In 2010, Crop Farms expenditures decreased to \$158.4 billion, down 0.1 percent while Livestock Farms expenditures increased to \$130.6 billion, up 1.3 percent. The largest expenditures for Crop Farms were Rent at \$21.7 billion, (13.7 percent); Farm Services at \$20.8 billion, (13.1 percent); Labor at \$18.8 billion, (11.9 percent). Combined crop inputs (chemicals, fertilizers, and seeds) were \$41.7 billion, accounting for 26.3 percent of Crop Farms total expenses. The largest expenditures for Livestock Farms were Feed at \$41.9 billion, (32.1 percent); Livestock and Poultry Purchases, at \$21.2 billion, (16.2 percent); Farm Services at \$14.9 billion, (11.4 percent), together accounting for 59.7 percent of Livestock Farms total expenses. The average Total Expenditure for a Crop farm was \$165,006 compared with \$105,922 per Livestock farm.

Total Expenditures by Region were up in the Atlantic, the South, and the Plains in 2010. The South had the largest increase at 7.3 percent, while the Atlantic was up 1.5 percent. Total Expenditures for the Plains were up slightly. Total Expenditures for the West decreased 1.4 percent; the Midwest decreased only 0.4 percent.

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The Midwest region contributed the most to United States Total Expenditures with expenses of \$87.7 billion (30.3 percent), down from \$88.0 billion in 2009. The other regions ranked by Total Expenditures are: Plains at \$68.1 billion (23.6 percent); West at \$63.6 billion (22.0 percent); Atlantic at \$36.0 billion (12.5 percent); and South at \$33.6 billion (11.6 percent).

The sum of Total Expenditures for the 15 Estimate States was \$188.3 billion in 2010 (65.2 percent of the United States Total Expenses) and \$186.1 billion in 2009 (64.8 percent). California contributed most to the 2010 United States Total Expenditures, with expenses of \$30.3 billion, (10.5 percent). California expenditures were up 2.8 percent from the 2009 estimate of \$29.5 billion. Iowa, the next leading state, had \$21.6 billion in expenses, (7.5 percent). Other states with more than \$10 billion in Total Expenditures were: Texas with \$20.4 billion (\$20.7 billion - 2009), Nebraska with \$16.0 billion (\$15.3 billion - 2009), Illinois with \$14.8 billion (\$14.4 billion - 2009), Minnesota with \$13.4 billion (\$13.5 billion - 2009), and Kansas with \$11.7 billion (\$12.0 billion - 2009). For further information on USDA farm expenditures, please visit <http://www.nass.usda.gov>.

Farm Production Expenditures: Average Per Farm and Total, U.S. and Other Western States 2009-2010

Farm Expenditure	United States				Other Western States			
	Average per farm		Total Expenditures		Average per farm		Total Expenditures	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	<i>Dollars</i>		<i>Million Dollars</i>		<i>Dollars</i>		<i>Million Dollars</i>	
Total Farm Production Expenditures	131,137	131,793	287,400	288,990	143,325	134,381	28,170	26,500
Livestock, poultry & Related Expenses	11,818	11,128	25,900	24,400	7,937	8,063	1,560	1,590
Feed	20,533	20,705	45,000	45,400	22,692	21,450	4,460	4,230
Farm Services	16,609	16,281	36,400	35,700	21,827	20,791	4,290	4,100
Rent	10,312	11,812	22,600	25,900	8,497	9,686	1,670	1,910
Ag Chemicals	5,247	4,834	11,500	10,600	4,070	4,108	800	810
Fertilizer, Lime & Soil Conditioners	9,171	9,577	20,100	21,000	7,581	7,404	1,490	1,460
Interest	5,019	4,652	11,000	10,200	6,360	6,085	1,250	1,200
Taxes	4,745	4,925	10,400	10,800	4,528	4,615	890	910
Labor	13,141	12,496	28,800	27,400	20,962	18,002	4,120	3,550
Fuels	5,658	5,883	12,400	12,900	6,105	6,592	1,200	1,300
Farm Supplies & Repairs	7,072	7,251	15,500	15,900	9,056	8,519	1,780	1,680
Farm Improvements & Construction	6,434	5,746	14,100	12,600	10,023	6,085	1,970	1,200
Tractors & Self-Propelled Farm Machinery	4,243	4,971	9,300	10,900	4,630	4,361	910	860
Other Farm Machinery	2,145	2,280	4,700	5,000	2,137	1,826	420	360
Seeds & Plants	7,072	7,434	15,500	16,300	4,325	4,412	850	870
Trucks & Autos	1,825	1,733	4,000	3,800	2,442	2,282	480	450
Miscellaneous Capital Expenses	91	87	200	190	153	101	30	20
Other Western States include AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, OR, UT, WY								

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